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Hon. Andrew L. Carter, Jr. United States District Judge 500 Pearl Street New York, New York 10007 USDC SDNY DOCUMENT ELECTRONICALLY FILED DOC#:

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Re:

Defendant Dennis McDonald's Request for New Counsel

United States v. Johnson, et. al., 19-Cr-828(ALC)

Dear Judge Carter,

I am CJA counsel to defendant Dennis McDonald on the above-captioned indictment.

Mr. McDonald has requested that I be removed from his case and that new counsel be substituted. I concur in the request, because communication between us has been strained and unproductive for a long time. I believe it is in the best interest of Mr. McDonald that he have a new lawyer whose honest advice and approach to the issues will be seriously considered.

I therefore respectfully join in Mr. McDonald's request and ask that the Court appoint new counsel as soon as possible. Thank you.

Sincerely,

/s/ Matthew Galluzzo

Matthew Galluzzo, Esq.

CC:

A status conference is set for 6/29/21 at 12:30 p.m. as to Defendant Dennis Mc Donald only.

AUSA Ryan Finkel

So Ordered.

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